

Division Focus

A Look at How the Department Protects and Serves Alabama Farmers and Consumers

2019 Animal Feed Inspector Training Seminar to be held in June



agencies from across the country will be in attendance.

Consisting

The Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO), along with the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (ADAI), will be hosting a three-day Advanced Inspector Training Seminar (AITS) for animal feed inspectors and staff at the Renaissance Hotel Montgomery, June 18-20. Approximately 70 participants representing state departments of agriculture and regulatory

of classroom lectures and demonstrations, along with professional development, the seminar is designed to provide necessary training and a better understanding into techniques and skills for inspectors to better do their jobs and in turn better serve the people of their respective states.

The AAFCO is not a regulatory authority itself; however, it provides a forum for the membership of regulatory agencies and industry to work together to achieve three main goals: safeguarding the health of animals and humans; ensuring consumer protection; and providing a level playing field of orderly commerce for the animal feed industry.

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Pictured from left to right, Andrea Carter, Alabama Farm to School program coordinator, cafeteria staff at Boaz Intermediate School with fresh picked strawberries and farmer Michelle Wade, of W & W Farms. Photo by Noah Turner with The Sand Mountain Reporter

FRESH ALABAMA STRAWBERRIES! IT'S WHATS FOR LUNCH!

A grand total of 67 gallons of fresh picked Alabama strawberries were served for lunch to all the students in the Boaz City School District on May 8. Farmer Michelle Wade, of W & W Farms, who grew the delicious strawberries, took time that day to visit with students in the cafeteria while they literally enjoyed the "fruits of her labor." Most people

don't have an opportunity to meet and interact with the farmer that grew their food, so this was truly a special day! The Alabama Farm to School program made this experience possible for these students.

The Alabama Farm to School program continues to bring fresh, local produce to the lunch trays of our students. According Don Wambles,

Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (ADAI) ag promotions director, "The Farm to School program has come a long way in just five years. Starting with \$975,000 worth of fresh fruits and vegetables being purchased for Alabama school children to \$3.2 million this past school year."

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AQUACULTURE

Channel Catfish fingerlings \$.35/hd/up, delivery available. Steve Baird 800 Saxon Creek Rd., Goodwater 35072 256/223-2437 (Clay)

Tilapia \$6/lb. plus delivery fee; Floating fish cages, 4'x4'x5' – ¼" mesh \$100 ea. 205/477-8446 (Tuscaloosa)

Channel Catfish \$50/hd/up; Bream \$.30/hd/up; Bass \$1.25 ea/up; Grass carp \$10 ea. Tommy Pettit 205/429-3415 (Blount)

CATTLE

All livestock listings must be from bonafide livestock farmers. Notices from livestock dealers, order buyers or persons selling on commission cannot be accepted.

CATTLE SALES

Cattle 18 months and older must be officially identified at change of ownership. For more information about obtaining official tags, contact the State Veterinarian's Office at 334-240-7253. Animals sold out-of-state must meet animal health requirements of the state of destination.

2 Reg. Angus bulls, 4½ yo, proven breeders, exc. bloodlines, American Angus Assoc. #18069705 BW -.9 CED +13 & #18244255 BW -.7 CED +9, \$3,250 & \$3,000. 205/369-0280 (Talladega)

Reg. Limousin & Lim-Flex bulls, black, 21 to 22 mos., 1,600-1,700 lbs., LBW, heavy milking dams, \$1,800-\$1,950. Richard Beard 8109 Glendale Rd., Trussville 35173 205/655-7682 (Jefferson)

Small homestead type beef & dairy cattle for small farms, prices start at \$750. Visit us at www.inlminifarm.com 256/657-6545 (DeKalb)

Reg. quality Charolais bulls, 16-18 mos., easy calving, top bloodlines, polled, balanced EPDs, gentle, thick & meaty, \$3,500-\$4,500. www.frankellis.com Frank Ellis 250 Ellis Rd., Letohatchee 36047 334/315-8927 or 334/227-4856 (Lowndes)

Santa Gertrudis 14 mos. reg. bull, polled, dark red, calm, \$1,700. SG stay fertile in hot humid weather & won't stand in pond. Betty Kelso-Clough 85 Jackson Cove, Somerville 35670 256/778-7362 or 256/566-7878 (Morgan)

Limousin homozygous black & homozygous polled young bulls & heifers, guarantee black & polled calves, top bloodlines, exc. milking, great disposition, all vaccinations, LBW, free delivery, herd reduction, \$1,250/up. 205/456-0468 (Blount)

Black Angus bull, 15 mos., Weigh Up bloodline, \$1,200. R.W. Lowery 335 Chumley Rd., Boaz 35956 256/593-9025 (Etowah)

F1 Halfblood heifers, out of Brahman cows & Hereford bull, many Tigerstripes, exposed to LBW Reg. Angus bull, gentle, fleshy, about 15 mos., \$1,350. Call 334/701-4659 (Houston)

CATTLE

10 Reg. Charolais replacement heifers, 6-8 mos., several show heifer prospects, polled, gentle, top bloodlines, \$1,200-\$1,600. www.frankellis.com Frank Ellis 250 Ellis Rd., Letohatchee 36047 334/315-8927 or 334/227-4856 (Lowndes)

Reg. Simmental bulls, 18-21 mos., black, blaze-faced, hand fed, docile, exc. EPDs, Bull-Test Winner 5/10 years, \$2,000/up, good selection. Chester Hicks 4892 Crawford's Cove Rd., Springville 35146 256/490-1919 (St. Clair)

Reg. Brangus bulls, various ages, \$1,600/up, good EPDs, very gentle. Randy Cline 3665 Midway Rd., Thomasville 36784 205/393-4470 (Clarke)

Reg. Scottish Highland cattle, purebred bloodlines for foundation stock, \$1,500/up, exc. maternal characteristics, gentle, amazing beef, great to cross w/your cattle or start your own fold today! www.GBA-highlands.com or info@GBAhighlands.com Tracey 205/432-9531 (Cullman)

Reg. Limousin bulls, red & black, double polled, gentle, LBW, 13 to 26 mos., \$1,650-\$1,850; Reg. heifers, red & black, double polled, 13-17 mos., \$850. Don Jones 15246 Hwy 110, Fitzpatrick 36029 334/279-1023 or 334/207-7749 (Bullock)

7 Black, polled, Sim-Angus bulls, very gentle, hand fed, good bloodlines, 14-28 mos., \$1,500-\$2,800; Several black, bred, Sim-Angus heifers \$1,400/up; Some pairs, 2nd calf \$2,000. W.P. Powell 6712 Co Rd 24, Clanton 35045 205/755-3786 or 205/245-9409 (Chilton)

Reg. Angus bull born 10-31-16, purchased at Performance Breeders sale, very LBW, bought for heifers, you can see his offspring, \$2,450. 256/558-4519 (DeKalb)

Bred cows, vet checked w/2nd calf, \$1,200 ea.; Angus & Angus/Hereford heifers, 13-17 mos., \$1,000 ea. Barry Fernambucq 205/755-9022 or 205/688-3269 (Chilton)

Embryo transplant equipment & supplies, everything you need to do your own ET as recommended by the International Embryo Transfer School, \$25/up. Glenn Fuller 15604 Hamlet Mill Rd., New Site 36256 256/794-2892 (Tallapoosa)

Reg. Angus cattle, bred cows of various ages, starting at \$900/up; Weaned heifer calves 5-7 mos., starting at \$575/up. David Calhoun 1264 Riddles Bend Rd., Rainbow City 205/532-5865 (Etowah)

Commercial Angus steers \$1.50/lb., 6 available. Gary Goggins 205/620-4867 (Shelby)

Reg. Charolais bulls, 12 mos. to 3 yo, polled, good bloodline, gentle, \$1,200-\$2,000. Donald Coffey 2639 Co Rd 843, Dawson 35963 256/659-4887 or 256/601-6050 (DeKalb)

Red Angus bulls, 8-20 mos., \$1,100-\$2,000. 205/237-9597 (Blount)

30 bred commercial Sim-Angus heifers, black, great dispositions, bred to LBW Angus/Sim-Angus bulls, \$1,550; 20 bred Sim-Angus cows, 4-8 yo, \$1,000 ea. Hank Gaines 334/799-3336 (Coffee)

CATTLE

Reg. homo black/homo polled, Lim-Flex & Limousin bulls, exc. EPDs, \$2,000/up, 17 mos/up, LBW, great on milk, front pasture quality look for AI & ET bloodlines, Anaplasmosis & Trichinoisis free herd, all BCIA best quality practices in place. Dr. Dan Hudson, Fitzpatrick 334/398-0285 (Bullock)

Polled Hereford bulls, 23-25 mos., tested ready for service, \$2,500, reg., good pedigrees & EPDs, dark red, extra gentle, good selection available. Polled Hereford bull source in Alabama 29 years. Jim & Lynda Lowery 5320 Co Rd 36, Heflin 36264 256/253-2445 (Cleburne)

Reg. Black Angus, big beautiful young cows: 2 pairs, 1 bred cow, possibly more if desired, 47-year herd, \$2,000-\$2,500. Betty Zeitz, P.O. Box 245, Shelby 35143 205/669-6745 (Shelby)

4 reg. Angus yearling bulls sired by SAV Angus Leader \$1,750; 2 yo breeding bull \$3,500 sired by SAV Pioneer; 4 reg. Angus fall 2018 heifers sired by SAV Silverado \$1,250. A.L. Bonds 165 Bonds Rd., Guntersville 35976 256/506-8111 (Marshall)

Reg. Angus bulls, large selection, 2 & 3 yo, birth & weaning weights available, semen tested, ready to work, \$2,000/up. Chip Harigan 1361 Asbury Rd., Grove Hill 36451 251/275-6657 (Clarke)

BBU Reg. Beefmaster bulls, \$1,500/up, polled, red & black colors. Carmon Smith 3557 Co Rd 24, Crossville 35962 256/571-3777 (DeKalb)

Reg. Angus cows: 9 pair reg. Angus cows 4-7 yo w/2-3 mos. reg. calves at side \$1,600; 5 Reg. Angus bulls direct sons of Haynes Outright, Rampage & Hickock, LBW Genetics by Angus Genetics, \$2,500. George M. Gibbins 426 Old Choccolocco Rd., Anniston 256/237-7350 (Calhoun)

CATTLE

5 True F-1 Tigerstriped heifers out of Hereford cows, sired by Gray Brahman bull, 18 mos., very gentle, ready to breed, \$1,550 ea. Otis Leonard 14151 AL Hwy 9, Kellyton 35089 256/234-5656 (Coosa)

30-plus first-calf heifers bred to LBW Black Angus bull to calf in April/June, pairs \$1,500 ea., bred heifers \$1,350 ea.; Good LBW Black Angus bulls \$1,500/up. See at our farm to appreciate. Gary Singleton 220 Co Rd 19, Piedmont 36272 256/390-3940 (Cherokee)

Beefmaster heifers, \$1,200, short bred to LBW bulls. Carmon Smith 3557 Co Rd 24, Crossville 35962 256/571-3777 (DeKalb)

EGG & POULTRY

Peacocks, 2 & 3 yo pair \$200. Harlin Nix 334/219-4154 (Chambers)

Baby chicks \$1/up, Hi-End brown egg layers & pasture broilers, NPIP cert., can ship. Call Diane or Bob 229/375-1991 (Georgia)

White & Pearl Guineas hatched July 2018, male \$10, female \$15; Also male Guineas hatched May 2016 \$5. Ronnie W. Bullard 256/466-2825 (Morgan)

Peacocks, 2015-2018 hatch \$125/up. Candi 706/326-2812 (Lee)

Bobwhite Quail eggs & day old chicks, eggs starting at \$.20 ea., chicks starting at \$.40 ea., call or text Cindy 334/475-6847 or John 334/806-9444 (Coffee)

Two Ameraucana roosters, free range, \$5 ea. Ronnie W. Bullard 256/466-2825 (Morgan)

FARMS FOR RENT

30 ac. of river bottom hay ground for rent, \$30/ac., located on the Tallapoosa River at Evans Bridge. Gordon Norton 205/541-2314 (Cleburne)

FARMS FOR SALE

74 ac., part could be cleared for pasture, remainder forest, nice stream, 3 BR brick home, 2 baths, central heat & a/c, storm shelter, outbuildings, \$200,000. 205/926-6347 (Perry)

9.22 ac., near Clanton, 2 miles to Lake Mitchell, half open pasture, creek, furnished 2 BR, 1BA trailer, 12x24 metal building, tractor 49 hp, shooting house, lots of deer & turkey, \$87,900. 205/979-7616 (Chilton)

444 ac. Hwy 91, 6 miles off I-65, fenced, small lake, ponds, large creek, \$1,100,000. Mickey 205/936-8272 (Cullman)

80 ac. farm & house, pastures, five ponds, \$425,000. 256/239-4124 (DeKalb)

255 ac., 30 ac. open, balance in timber, new lake, good hunting, hwy. frontage Hwy. 18 & County Lake Rd., \$1,800/ac. 205/712-2558 (Lamar)

320 ac. w/4BR house, barn, 3 ac. pond, fenced & cross fenced, natural spring, deep well for watering cattle, 100 yo hardwoods, good hunting & fishing, 1 mile off Hwy 77 in Talladega County, \$969,000. Gary Singleton 2092 Mayfield Rd., Lincoln 256/390-3940 (Talladega)

31 ac. timberland, asking \$45,000. John Tope 719 Co Rd 43, Evergreen 36401 251/525-0753 (Conecuh)

FARMS WANTED

Want to buy land in Macon County on County Rd 53 or 54, small to medium size tract, please call 205/456-0468 (Blount)

FARM LABOR WANTED

Need part-time help on cattle farm, live in possible. Bill Walker 752 Co Rd 295, Jemison 35085 205/646-2474 (Chilton)

On the Cover — Young dairy calf in honor of June Dairy Month. Photo taken by Brittany Carter at Middleton Farms. Visit middletonfarmtours.com for more information.

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HAY & FEEDING GRAIN

Alfalfa hay, Western grown, 3x3x8 bales, 2 or more, \$135 ea., small squares also available. Richard Beard 8109 Glendale Rd., Trussville 35173 205/655-7682 (Jefferson)

5x5 round bales of hay, Fescue, Orchard grass, all pastures fertilized & sprayed, no rain, baled w/JD baler, will load, \$35/bale, Blount County-Snead area, delivery available. 205/456-0468 (Blount)

Mixed grass sq. bales, horse quality, \$5/ bale. Curtis Byars 301 Bluebird Trail, Albertville 35951 256/239-1643 (Marshall)

4x5 rolls, net wrapped, fertilized & sprayed for weeds, mostly Bahia, field price \$35; Sq. bales, same hay, call for price & availability. Clanton 205/299-7335 (Chilton)

Hay, mixed grass, net wrapped, barn kept, 4x5 bales, no rain, heavily fertilized, \$35/ bale, will load. Kenneth Branham, Pine Mountain 205/681-6625 or 205/533-5143 (Blount)

100 rolls 4x5 Bahia grass hay, barn stored & well fertilized, \$35/roll. Leon Cole 205/712-1440 (Lamar)

Exc. quality 5x5 rolls of Fescue, \$35 ea., all fertilized & sprayed, local delivery available. Bob Stancil 5272 Hwy 43, Spruce Pine 35585 256/332-4323 (Franklin)

5'x5' net wrapped, mixed grass hay, \$25/ roll loaded. Nick Sutton 4859 Hwy 51 S., Arton 36311 334/432-1310 (Barbour)

200 rolls 4x5 Bahia grass hay, barn stored & well fertilized, \$35/roll. Perry Cole 205/879-9008 (Shelby)

Wheat straw sq. \$4/bale; Shelled corn \$170/ton; Feed wheat \$200/ton. Munford 256/362-8824 (Talladega)

34 ac. of beautiful hay (9.5 ac. Tif9 Bahia, balance common Bahia), will swap for mowing 35 ac. of set-aside/pasture twice yearly. Marc Ivey, Perryville 678/677-6397 (Georgia)

5'x5' net wrapped Clover mix & Coastal mix, \$30/roll, will load. Neil Sutton 53 Lightner Rd., Arton 36311 334/685-3169 (Barbour)

4x5 net wrapped Bermuda & mixed grass, fertilized, no weeds, \$30/roll, 10 roll minimum. Summer/fall 2018, never wet, barn stored, 100 rolls or more \$25/roll. Jim & Lynda Lowery 5320 Co Rd 36, Heflin 36264 256/253-2445 (Cleburne)

Sq. bale hay, clean mixed grass hay, \$3, you haul. Gordon Norton 205/541-2314 (Cleburne)

23 ac. of hay for first cutting, you cut & bale, \$5/bale. Joe Glasscox 2460 Pine Mtn. Rd., Remlap 35133 205/681-7826 (Blount)

HORSES & MULES

At stud: Starlight Too, AQHA bay stallion, grandson of Peppy San Badger out of a daughter of Nu Bar, 33% Doc Bar, fee \$750. www.frankellis.com Frank Ellis 250 Ellis Rd., Letohatchee 36047 334/315-8927 or 334/227-4856 (Lowndes)

Old type Morgan stallions standing at stud, \$400 live foal guarantee. Mare care additional. alippitt@centurylink.net or 256/482-3953 (Morgan)

Jerusalem donkeys, males 4 available, \$35 ea. Gary Goggins 205/620-4867 (Shelby)

2 Class A miniature horses, \$150 ea., can deliver. Judy Sherman 27962 Northcutt Ln., Robertsdale 251/979-0686 (Baldwin)

LIVESTOCK DOGS

ASDR Reg. Australian Shepherd puppies, blue merles, black tris, exc. working stock or pets, \$400 to \$975 price range. 334/341-7817 (Marengo)

Purebred Heeler puppies, father blue, mother red, 4 boys, 2 girls, \$100 ea., ready now, parents good working dogs. Dennis Horne 1176 Williams Mill Rd., Clayton 36016 334/689-3394 (Barbour)

Blue Heeler pups out of working stock, \$400 ea. Bruce Gamble 334/790-5077 (Houston)

CKC Reg. Great Pyrenees puppies, vaccinated & wormed, \$200 ea., male or female. 205/301-0220 (Choctaw)

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Reg. Border Collies from working cattle dogs, Border Collies w/eye & power to move cattle or sheep, pups \$450; Training services on cattle or sheep on Border Collies only \$500/monthly plus feed. www.valleybordercollies.com James A Thomas 334/790-8910 (Geneva)

A 5 mos. Great Pyrenees & one 2½ yo Great Pyrenees, great worker, raised w/ goats, \$150 ea., both are males. Clayton Ledlow 1680 Ray Rd SW, Hartselle 35640 256/612-3962 (Morgan)

Anatolian/Great Pyrenees puppies born 4/20/19, male & female, raised w/goats, parents on farm, working not pets, \$100 ea. CW Turner, Rockmart, GA 30153 404/557-8448 (Georgia)

MACHINERY

Three 8N tractors, models 48 & 52 (2) & one 4000 tractor model 53, \$3,500 for all. Call Mike 334/614-8501 (Russell)

IH grain drill, double disk openers, 12' marker tires, exc. cond., \$4,000. Sanford 334/391-4693 (Elmore)

Super A Farmall, runs great, hydraulics great, good paint, full set of cultivators, \$2,500; Super A Farmall, good tires, new paint, no smoke, full set of cultivators, runs great, everything works, \$3,500. 96 Old Mink Farm Rd., Altoona 35952 256/572-8722 (Etowah)

Krone 151 round hay baler, 4x5' bale, narrow throat, some new sprockets & chains, cylinders repacked, 4 new hydraulic hoses, elevator chain tight, electric twine, \$2,000. 205/712-9229 (Lamar)

One 28' Model 335 JD disc, exc. cond., \$6,500 OBO. Harold Street 8980 Co Rd 32, Fairhope 36532 251/370-7637 or 251/928-2875 (Baldwin)

Int'l Super A restored w/hydraulic lift, cultivators, cranks & runs good, also a lot of extra parts, \$3,000. Sanford 334/391-4693 (Elmore)

One 801 Ford diesel \$950; Two 601 Ford \$1,150; W.D. AC 51 & equipment \$1,800; Cut off saw \$150; 580K backhoe \$14,500; 5 speed transmission \$200. Tommy Jones 430 Kasmeir Rd., Florence 35634 256/577-5051 (Lauderdale)

G Allis Chalmers tractor, restored, new motor & brakes, new clutch & rear tires, new paint, cultivators, turning plow, scrape blade, hydraulic lift, scratchers, hillers, everything rebuilt, \$4,500 OBO. 96 Old Mink Farm Rd., Altoona 35952 256/572-8722 (Etowah)

Ford 2 bottom, 3 pt hitch brake plow, good shape, \$250. 205/394-1507 or 205/339-3623 (Tuscaloosa)

456 4x5 JD roller \$6,200. Verbon Farmer 1142 Willoughby Rd., Albertville 35951 256/572-4571 (Marshall)

Super A, new paint, cultivators, good tires, \$3,500. 96 Old Mink Farm Rd., Altoona 35952 256/572-8722 (Etowah)

2610 Long tractor w/front end loader, good cond., \$4,500; 8' disc mower, field ready, \$2,800, good cond., New Holland GMD66. Tommy Harrison 334/614-1259 (Lee)

350 JD dozier, 6-way blade, seat guard, \$6,000; 4 bottom breaking plow \$600. Bob Edwards 4055 AL Hwy 219, Selma 36701 334/874-6406 or 334/412-5631 (Dallas)

963 Cat loader, good undercarriage, runs good, used on farm, \$30,000 OBO. 678/231-8636 (Georgia)

Used JD 4720, 56 PTO hp compact tractor w/3rd function loader & canopy w/less than 235 hrs. & JD MX 6 cutter, exc. cond., \$32,000. 205/921-2973 (Marion)

Super A Farmall, good paint, front & rear cultivators, good tires, runs good, no smoke, \$2,500; Super A Farmall, good tractor, full set of cultivators, no smoke, \$2,250. 96 Old Mink Farm Rd., Altoona 35952 256/572-8722 (Etowah)

Feed Mixer Jay Lor A-50, used 4 hrs., \$4,000, great for mixing compost. Rickey Durden 20740 Fairground Rd., Roberts-dale 36567 251/978-1266 (Baldwin)

John Blue Spray Rig, 300 gal. tank, \$3,500; JD cultivator, 6 row, 30" rows w/rolling fenders, 4600. 256/524-2577 (DeKalb)



Map of Alabama Counties

MACHINERY

2850 JD tractor, 4x4 cab, \$12,300; Horbart 180 amp M19 welder \$350. 1092 Lark Griffin Rd., Lineville 36216 256/276-3602 or 256/354-2917 (Clay)

990 Case diesel (David Brown), lift not working, \$3,200 tractor. If no answer, leave message on answering machine. 3215 Co Rd 62, Lafayette 36862 334/864-9527 (Chambers)

Powell Pasture Aerator, 8' all hydraulic, exc. cond., greatly improve hay & grazing production, pictures available, \$4,500. P.O. Box 6725, Banks 36005 334/300-3113 (Pike)

Like new 7040 Kubota, 4 wd w/only 940 hrs., front end loader, quick disconnect for attachments, equipped w/radio, positive traction & remote hydraulics, exc. cond., \$37,500; Heavy duty all steel ground slide \$500. Jeff Gunnin 205/272-0776 (Winston)

Two 14" plow, near new, \$300; 5½' box blade, exc., \$200; 5' bush & bog folding disc, used little, \$400; Scratcher tooth cultivator, good shape, \$200. David, Hayden 256/507-0350 (Blount)

6' disc, good cond., \$400; Two 16" Dearborn heavy duty two bottom plow, exc., \$300. Mike, Hayden 205/647-3703 (Blount)

JD 7410 tractor, 2 wd, 7,500 hrs., cab & air, power quad transmission, good hay tractor, \$22,000. Hank Gaines 334/799-3336 (Coffee)

MACHINERY

Chandler 5 ton fertilizer spreader, stainless steel box, ground driven, \$4,500. Doug 205/368-8113 (Blount)

IH mower cond. 8', good cond., \$500; Bush Hog RTH88 tiller, like new, \$4,600; 2 basket hay tedder, 3 pt, good cond., \$500. 5565 Hwy 49, Columbiana 35051 205/283-2342 (Shelby)

20' bale elevator complete w/motor \$600, used very little, bought new from ASC. Rodger Sherman 27962 Northcutt Ln., Robertsdale 251/979-9826 (Baldwin)

Plastic laying machine, good cond., ready to go, Buckeye brand, \$2,400. Jack Faulkner 1040 Ebell Rd., Oneonta 35121 205/274-8645 (Blount)

1 ea. Gleaner Combine Model F w/corn header, was last run 2 years ago, also 1 Model F2 Gleaner Combine w/new rebuilt engine on floor & 1 junked Model F Combine & many new & used parts, all for \$4,000 OBO. Reason for selling, quit row cropping. Marvin Gunn, Millry 251/846-2164 or 251/242-9070 (Washington)

MF 135 Deluxe tractor, Perkins diesel, great cond. & very responsive, straight tin, good tires – fronts are near new, backs are fine, manual steering, 57 hrs. on a professional rebuild including engine, clutch & brakes, \$3,650. Mike, Hayden 205/647-3703 (Blount)

MACHINERY

JD 650 diesel, 2 wwd-8 speed, 16 hp tractor, 788 hrs., 3 pt hitch, 72" grooming mower, runs well, kept dry, new battery, \$4,800. Mildred Maroney 784 Talucah Rd., Valhermoso Springs 35775 256/778-8561 (Morgan)

7' bush hog, 3 pt hitch, \$750. Doug 205/368-8113 (Blount)

2019 JD 5045E, 45 hp, 50 hrs., new bush hog, 6' middle buster, 8F boom, \$19,000, under warranty. 930 Gnatville Rd., Piedmont 36272 256/447-0204 or 256/405-7834 (Calhoun)

2 headed Tonutti tedder \$750; 327 JD sq. hay baler \$2,750; 4x5 Vermeer Rebel baler \$5,700; Vermeer 8 wheel rake \$1,500, shed kept. 160 Cagle Rd., Jasper 205/717-9732 (Walker)

New Holland hay baler, \$5,000. W.g.bonnie7329@yahoo.com. W.G. Boatwright 476 Saddle Club Rd., Oneonta 35121 205/274-7771 (Blount)

16' hydraulic pull type litter spreader made by Chandler Equipment, exc. cond., used 4 times, \$14,500. 256/347-0919 (Winston)

Vermeer 664 Rancher commercial hay baler, only baled around 1,000 bales, exc. cond., like new, \$24,000. Earl Woodard 318 Faust Rd., Blountsville 35031 205/429-2883 (Blount)

WANTED

Chicken houses to tear down, in good shape, prefer North Alabama but interested in anywhere in the state. 706/252-1084 (Georgia)

Catnip seed or plants, small quantity needed. Annette Blaylock 191 Gray Cir., Winfield 35594 205/487-9291 (Marion)

Kuhn mower GMD 700 or equivalent, good cond.; 500 gal. skid top w/pump or without. Richard Beard 8109 Glendale Rd., Trussville 35173 205/655-7682 (Jefferson)

I need a 2-row JD planter or Burch planter in good cond. Call after 6 p.m. 334/527-3415 or 334/201-3135 (Crenshaw)

Want to buy lick tub for cows, need to buy 2, around Walker County. Terry Rutledge 390 Kendrick Rd., Eldridge 35554 205/924-9997 (Walker)

One 55 gal. round, horizontal sprayer tank to go on a 3 ph sprayer frame; Also need 10-12 cattle corral panels. 205/245-9409 or 205/755-3786 (Chilton)

Clean-out chain for a spreader bed, 22½" wide & 24' long, made by Fontaine Manufacturing. Donald Blankenship 75 Co Rd 151, Town Creek 256/476-5703 (Lawrence)

Grist mills or old mill stones; Also large pieces of drift wood & old porcelain signs. Call Richard 334/289-8906 (Marengo)

LaManche buck, gentle, breeding age, preferably born without horns. Ronnie W. Bullard 256/466-2825 (Morgan)

Do you have syrup making equipment, cane mills, syrup kettles, etc.? Members of the Alabama Syrup-Makers Association are looking for equipment. 334/494-3037 (Coffee)

My Farmer Father

By Jasmine N. Swantz

First Published: February 2006

My father is a farmer.
His heart is in the soil
It's there he finds his solace,
Among the grimy toil.
He plants the seed in
springtime,
The corn, the beans, the hay.
He prays that God would bless
it.
A harvest, Lord, I pray.
He tills and cultivates it,
Provides the most tender care.
Believes that come October,
He'll reap a harvest fair.
Blue skies are his cathedral.
A tractor, his altar of prayer.
God meets him in the
cornfields,
They have communion there.
My father is a farmer —
That's all he'll ever be.
The values that the land taught
him,
He handed down to me.
I love my farmer father —
I'm thankful that he's mine...
I pray that God would bless
him,
Today and for all time.

Happy Father's Day

REVAMPED BEEKEEPING PROGRAM BENEFITS ALABAMA'S AGRICULTURE

By Maggie Lawrence

Alabama Cooperative Extension System

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System is taking steps to assure bees remain a vibrant part of food production. To ensure that crop pollination is not threatened in the state, Alabama Extension created a new beekeeping program that includes educators from Auburn University and Alabama A&M University.


“Bees pollinate about 30 percent of all food crops so it's important we support the state's beekeepers,” said Paul Brown, Alabama Extension associate director. “Extension's new apiculture team will provide critical education and support to the state's beekeepers. Extension professionals working at both Alabama A&M and Auburn universities and an Auburn University faculty member form the team's core,” Brown said.

Bees provide more than just pollination. According to the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries, between 14,000 and 16,000 colonies are spread across the state. USDA's most recent honey report showed these colonies produced on average more than 52 pounds of honey annually. In 2016, honey production totaled 364,000 pounds in Alabama and was valued at more than \$1.25 million.

“We're excited to serve all Alabama beekeepers, whether they are just getting started or have many years of experience,” said Celvia Stovall, Alabama Extension associate director. “Our program incorporates the latest apiculture research in Extension learning opportunities. We offer on-site pest and disease inspection at bee colonies, and pollinator plant recommendations and training. This will be one of the most robust programs in the nation.”

Hunter McBrayer, the Alabama Farmer's Federation director for bee and honey producers, said, “Extension professionals will be a great educational resource while connecting beekeepers to spread knowledge, share successes and gain an understanding of the challenges that face the bee and honey industry in Alabama.”

Visit www.aces.edu for more information.



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Following are the guidelines for advertising in the classified section of the Alabama Farmers and Consumers Bulletin. Adherence to these rules will ensure quick processing of ads. All ads that do not meet the following guidelines will not be published.

1. Only those ads which pertain to agricultural or forestry products and to those items employed in the actual growth, harvesting and disposal of such products will be accepted.
2. Ads should be typed or printed. Those ads that are not legible will not be published.
3. Ads must be limited to 20 words. This does not include name, address or phone number.
4. Ads must include name, address, city, zip code, area code/phone number and county, no “Farm Names or Work Names/Addresses.” Only two phone numbers will be listed. Due to the number of character spaces required for most E-mail addresses, an advertiser must select either a resident address or an E-mail address. Both cannot be printed.
5. Only paid subscribers are permitted to advertise in the Bulletin.
6. Paid subscribers can submit more than one advertisement per category per month but each advertisement is still limited to 20 words.
7. Ads for the classified section will not be accepted from dealers, merchants or commercial establishments.
8. Ads received by fax or e-mail must be received by 5 p.m. on the 10th day of the month and ads received by regular mail must be postmarked by 5 p.m. on the 12th day of the month in order to appear in the following month's issue. The e-mail address is afcb@agi.alabama.gov and the fax number is 334/240-7169.
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10. Land advertised/wanted must be minimum of 10 acres or more. Ads will not be accepted from dealers or persons selling land on a commission basis. Information on housing should be limited. Ads should reflect descriptions of the land/farm.
11. Only livestock (herding/working) dogs will be published in the Bulletin.
12. Instructional material cannot be advertised in the Bulletin.
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C, G, I



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B, E, H



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A, B, D, F, H, I, J



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C, G, I



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B, E, H



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A, B, D, F, H, I, J



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E, I



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A, F, I



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A, D, E, F, G, I



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A, B, D, G, H, I, J



Leaf Minor
A, C, D, F, G, H, I



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A



Mite
A, F, G, I



Mole Cricket
B, E, H, I, J



Mosquito
A, F, I



Moth
C, D, F, G, I



Pine Tip Moth
I



Scale
A, G, I



Silverfish
D, E, J, K



Slug
D



Sod Webworm
B, C, H, I



Sowbug
B, D, F, H, I, J



Black Widow Spider
D, F



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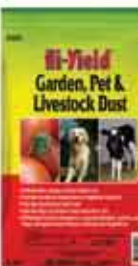
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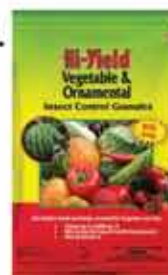
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RAY'S RESTAURANT WINS BAMA'S BEST PEACH COBBLER

By Marlee Moore

Ray's Restaurant in Dothan combines firm peaches, soft-but-crunchy cobbler and melty vanilla ice cream into a recipe for success — also called Bama's Best Peach Cobbler.

Owner Christi Peterson's cobbler is a take on her maternal grandmother's classic Southern dessert, with a few still-secret twists. Ray's regulars nominated the dish in a statewide Facebook contest this spring.

"When we were preparing for the judges, I said, 'I hope they don't ask for the recipe because it's a little of this, a little of that!'" said Peterson, who bought the 50-year-old restaurant three years ago with parents Chan and Carolyn Elliott.

Peterson is peachy keen for freshness, too. Peaches from Aplin Farms, in nearby Slocomb, star in her cobbler during harvest season, which runs through late July.

As the winner of Bama's Best Peach Cobbler, Ray's Restaurant received \$300 from contest sponsor, the Alabama Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association (AFVGA). The contest's nominating stage on Facebook received over 150 votes for more than 30 restaurants.

"It's an honor to say we were even nominated," Peterson said. "My paternal



Ray's Restaurant, in Dothan, was named Bama's Best Peach Cobbler during a contest sponsored by the Alabama Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association (AFVGA). Judges were AFVGA Executive Director Hunter McBrayer, AFVGA President Taylor Hatchett and SouthernBite.com food blogger Stacey Little. From left are McBrayer, Hatchett, owners Chan and Carolyn Elliott and Christi Peterson, and Little.

grandmother read about the contest in *Neighbors* magazine and said, 'Christi, you need to do this.' So, we did, and our customers responded in the best way possible."

AFVGA President Taylor Hatchett, recipe developer and SouthernBite.com food blogger Stacey Little and AFVGA Executive Director Hunter McBrayer served as the judges for the contest.

"Every bite was a perfect mixture and blend of peaches and cobbler," said Hatchett, a Chilton County farmer.

Little said he appreciated Ray's mom-and-pop, unique feel — from its Table of

Knowledge where public officials, locals and out-of-towners discuss Wiregrass happenings to its assorted ceramic coffee cups and simple cobbler approach.

Other Bama's Best Peach Cobbler finalists were Burnette Farms Market in Pelham, Fat Boy's Bar-B-Que Ranch in Prattville and Peach Park in Clanton.

Ray's Restaurant is open Monday-Friday from 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday from 5 a.m. to noon. Peach cobbler is served on Wednesdays. Learn more on Facebook or at RaysDothan.com.

Division Focus CONTINUED...

These goals are achieved by developing and implementing uniform and equitable laws, regulations, standards, definitions and enforcement policies for regulating the manufacture, labeling, distribution and sale of animal feeds — resulting in safe, effective and useful feeds by promoting uniformity amongst member agencies.

This benefits the respective regulatory agencies by providing regulatory structure so that it is uniform amongst the states; adoption of guidance and model regulation into laws and rules with feed terms and official feed ingredient definitions. AAFCO also provides inspector training opportunities, such as this one, as well as nationwide networking opportunities for feed control officials and the animal feed industry.

AAFCO has joined the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation, or CLEAR. This membership brings AAFCO and its members access to the resources, information and relationships available within the international regulatory community.

CLEAR promotes regulatory excellence through conferences, educational programs, webinars, seminars and symposia. As a neutral forum to encourage and provide for sharing of best practices, CLEAR serves and supports the international regulatory community and its vital contribution to public protection.

CLEAR was conceived more than 30 years ago as a resource for any entity or individual involved in the licensure, nonvoluntary

certification or registration of the hundreds of regulated occupations and professions.

Since its inception, CLEAR's membership has included representatives of all governmental sectors, the private sector, and many others with an interest in this field. CLEAR's broad membership consists of regulatory boards, colleges, organizations, vendors and other stakeholders from across the international regulatory community.

CLEAR became involved in AAFCO Advanced Inspector Training Seminar in 2018 to further expand the availability of training needed by AAFCO members. The list of CLEAR members includes 529 organizations available on their website at www.clearhq.org/CLEARdirectory.

The 2019 AITS agenda includes CLEAR-certified instructor presentations and training on the following topics: Investigative Analysis, Investigative Report Development, Principles of Evidence, Evidence Collection, Tagging & Storage, Interviewing Techniques and Investigator Safety.

These seminars are part of ADAI's commitment to maintain the best trained and most professional inspectors and staff whose duties are to protect the consumers of Alabama.

For more information on Alabama's animal feed laws and regulations, contact ADAI's Agricultural Compliance Section at 334-240-7184 by email at agcompliance@agi.alabama.gov or visit www.agi.alabama.gov/divisions/division-AgComp.

Farm to School Program CONTINUED...

The program has taken cooperation from ADAI, the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), the Alabama Farmers Federation, the Food Bank of North Alabama and other agricultural stakeholder groups. The program's website is a great resource for information and has an interactive platform that allows farmers and Child Nutrition Program Directors (CNPD) to connect with one another. Farmers can list what produce they have available

and when, while the CNPD can search for the specific fruit or vegetable they need to complete the lunch menu for the next month.

Recently ADAI and ALSDE worked together to develop a *Procuring Alabama Fruits and Vegetables Handbook*. Along with the handbook, they conducted workshops for CNPDs to familiarize them with the changes to the Alabama Farm-to-School Procurement Act, which

created an exemption and now allows unprocessed agricultural products to be purchased using federal thresholds. The handbook and workshops were designed not only to provide more procurement resources and training, but to also remove any concerns about purchasing from a local farmer using federal funding.

For information about Alabama's Farm to School program, visit AlabamaFarmtoSchool.org.

Are you a subscriber to the Alabama Farmers & Consumers Bulletin? If so, you can submit classified notices for free. Simply send them in via mail, email or fax.

The deadline for submitting ads to the Bulletin is the 10th if submitting by fax and email and the 12th if submitting by mail.

ALABAMA LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Cattle and calves at reported markets throughout the state for May totaled an estimated 39,000 head compared to 49,974 head for April and 49,026 head for May 2018. Compared to last period: Slaughter cows and bulls sold \$4 to \$6 higher. Feeder steers sold mostly \$4 to \$6 lower. Feeder heifers sold steady to \$3 lower. Replacement cows sold steady. The feeder supply included 18 percent steers, 46 percent heifers and 36 percent bulls.

Slaughter Cows Breakers 75-80				355-395	376	158.00-171.00	163.91
Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	405-445	419	150.00-164.00	158.49
1050-1740	1403	50.50-55.00	53.87	455-495	479	145.00-160.00	152.88
1200-1350	1395	57.00-62.00	60.75 High Dressing	510-545	527	142.00-155.00	148.47
1200-1720	1397	46.00-49.00	47.27 Low Dressing	560-590	567	138.00-147.50	145.78
Slaughter Cows Boners 80-85				605-640	624	137.00-140.00	139.21
890-1765	1198	48.00-55.50	49.65	655-685	674	128.00-135.00	132.28
915-1815	1277	56.00-65.00	59.17 High Dressing	717-745	739	125.00-133.50	131.50
900-1340	1123	43.00-47.00	45.93 Low Dressing	Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1			
Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90				Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
795-1275	1050	47.00-52.00	49.93	205-215	210	170.00-172.50	171.22
915-1150	1001	53.00-57.00	55.37 High Dressing	265-295	280	165.00-170.00	167.37
715-1310	959	41.00-46.00	43.66 Low Dressing	305-345	325	157.00-160.00	159.47
Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1-2				350-395	383	150.00-155.00	151.54
Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	405-445	423	142.00-150.00	145.87
1350-2430	1770	80.00-85.00	83.82	455-495	471	132.00-142.00	138.15
1375-2270	1765	86.00-91.00	88.03 High Dressing	505-545	524	130.00-143.00	136.34
1195-2000	1515	75.00-79.00	77.09 Low Dressing	550-598	572	129.00-138.00	132.98
Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1				600-645	620	122.00-132.00	127.83
305-315	310	178.00-180.00	179.02	655-695	678	117.00-128.00	124.01
355-370	363	174.00-175.00	174.49	710-740	725	116.00-127.50	123.25
400-445	422	156.00-167.00	161.31	765-780	766	116.00-123.00	122.55
460-495	482	155.00-170.00	160.66	Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2			
505-545	523	155.00-160.00	158.07	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
556-590	564	148.00-151.00	149.59	265-295	280	150.00-155.00	152.68
610-625	616	140.00-153.00	145.51	305-345	322	136.00-155.00	147.82
655-675	665	134.00-136.00	134.99	355-395	385	137.00-150.00	143.53
705-735	721	123.00-135.00	128.51	405-445	430	132.00-144.00	138.60
Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2				455-495	478	122.00-142.00	133.63
Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	500-545	528	120.00-136.00	128.31
280-295	286	177.50-180.00	178.66	555-592	577	118.00-130.00	125.24
305-345	322	164.00-175.00	169.46	605-640	628	112.00-126.00	120.59
				655-685	673	110.00-122.00	116.99
				730-740	733	109.00-110.00	109.34
				770-780	775	108.00-115.00	111.48

Source: USDA-AL Dept of Ag Market News Service, Montgomery, AL, David Garcia, OIC / Office 334-223-7488. For more information contact: Montgomery.lpgmn@ams.usda.gov.



Upcoming Ag Events

•**June 1**—The annual Plow Days will be held at Underwood Farm, 1801 Co. Rd. 71, Summerdale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sponsored by the South Alabama Antique Tractor and Engine Club, this working farm show has displays and exhibits for all ages. For more information, call 251-978-0661 or visit the website at SAATEC.org or follow the club on Facebook.

•**June 1**—The Montgomery Area Daylily Society is having a daylily/companion plant sale at Eastbrook Flea Market, 425 Coliseum Blvd., in Montgomery beginning at 9 a.m. For more information, call 334-354-2854.

•**June 1**—A horse and tack sale will be held at 5 p.m. at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call Richard Askew 256-839-6824.

•**June 5**—The Capital City Master Gardener Association sponsors a free monthly Lunch and Learn from noon to 1 p.m. at the Armory Learning Arts Center at 1018 Madison Ave., Montgomery. The June topic is Your Farm in the City: Eat South, conducted by Eat South Farm Director Caylor Roling. For more information, call 334-270-4133 or visit www.capcitymga.org.

•**June 6**—The Autauga County Master Gardeners Association is hosting a free Lunch and Learn beginning at noon at Trinity United Methodist Church at 610 Fairview Ave., Prattville 36066. The June topic is Backyard Berries, conducted by Mallory Kelley, a horticulturist with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. For more information contact Tana Shealey at 334-361-7273.

•**June 7, 14, 21 & 28**—A poultry and small animal sale will be held at 7 p.m. at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call Richard Askew at 256-839-6824.

•**June 8 & 22**—The Central Alabama Goat & Poultry Auction will be held at noon at 1403 Kincheon Rd. in Clanton. Additional livestock and poultry are welcome. For more information, call Jada at 205-258-8307 or Kathy at 205-351-2039.

•**June 8 & 22**—Goats, sheep and cattle sale will be held at noon at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call Richard Askew 256-839-6824.

•**June 11**—The Elmore County Master Gardeners Association is hosting a Lunch and Learn from 12 p.m.-1 p.m. at the Elmore County Cooperative Extension Service building at 340 Queen Ann Rd., Wetumpka, AL 36092. The June topic is Hello Hydrangeas, conducted by David Doggett, of the Jefferson County Master Gardeners. For more information, contact 334-361-7273.

•**June 14 & 15**—The 24th annual Marion Rodeo will be held at the Marion Arena on Highway 14. Gates open at 6 p.m., with mutton bustin at 6:30 p.m., little wranglers at 7:15 p.m. and rodeo at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10; 3 and younger get in free. Proceeds donated to the crisis fund for the Perry County Fire Association. For more information call 334-683-4004

•**July 6**—The Alabama Syrup-Makers Association meets at 8 a.m. at Golden Corral in Dothan every other month. For more information, call Earl Stokes at 334-494-3037.

To submit a July event to the Bulletin, send it by mail or email to afcb@agi.alabama.gov before June 12.

CALLING ALL ALABAMA LOCAL FOOD GROWERS

While the green things are beginning to flourish in your patch of Alabama, it's time to give some thought to the row, come December, you'll hoe in the state's biggest celebration of local and sustainable food — the Food & Farm Forum and Youth Food & Farm Forum, held Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7.

Approximately 200 farmers, gardeners, community leaders, young people and other advocates for local and sustainable food will convene in Fairhope, in Baldwin County, for a weekend of “cross-pollinating” — swapping stories, ideas and wisdom — with the shared goal of building a more robust and resilient agricultural system in Alabama.

The Forum is an annual event produced by the Alabama Sustainable Agriculture Network, and participants need not be existing members of ASAN's network to participate.

This year ASAN is building the Forum program by putting out a call for session proposals. Farmers, market managers, business owners, activists and other members of the public

are invited to submit ideas for possible sessions, which will be reviewed by a committee.

Topic areas for sessions include (1) Farming (beginner level), (2) Farming (advanced level), (3) Farm business/marketing, (4) Community food systems and food movement, and (5) Green living.

Examples of sessions at past Forums include:

- Sustainable Woodland Management for Small Farms and Landowners
- Growing a New Market with Microgreens
- On-Farm Processing of Poultry and Rabbits (panel)
- Cooperative Farm Marketing
- Carpentry Life Skills
- Putting Solar to Work on the Farm Using Passive Solar Structures and Off-Grid Solar Photovoltaic
- Fermentation 101
- Introduction to Herbal Tincturing

Sessions can be hands-on demonstrations, panel discussions, facilitated

roundtable discussions (including audience members), storytelling and/or traditional presentations. Sessions may be led by youth (14-21) and/or adults. The proposal form states that, while traditional presentations from traditional experts are welcome, ASAN “value[s] and uplift[s] folk wisdom, practical skills, intuition, emotional intelligence, embodied knowledge, traditional ecological knowledge, creative arts and other forms of knowing.” Priority will be given to sessions that reflect:

- Skill-building across cultures, communities and sectors/roles in the food system
- Collaboration, cooperation and network-building
- Diversity of presenters and perspectives
- Grounding in racial, social and economic equity/justice and authentic community-building

More details and the form to submit a proposal are available at <https://forms.gle/ks8oDKxhZXS582va6>. The deadline to submit a session proposal is Monday, June 17.



Scenes from last year's Alabama Sustainable Agriculture Network Food & Farm Forum, at Camp McDowell, in northwest Alabama.

MONTHLY HAY REPORT

Compared to last month: Hay prices were steady for the month of May. Trade moderate with light supply and moderate demand. All prices are FOB unless otherwise noted.

Estimated Tons: 1,500 Last Month: 1,719 Last Year: 1,048

Southeast Hay	Tons	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Bermuda Grass Small Square			
Premium	491	180.00-300.00	227.81
Bermuda Grass Large Round			
Premium	33	133.33-133.33	133.33
Bermuda Grass Mid Round			
Premium	227	100.00-130.00	106.51
Good	7	90.00-90.00	90.00
Rye Grass Small Square			
Good	10	160.00-160.00	160.00
Rye Grass Mid Round			
Good	110	75.00-75.00	75.00
Bahia Grass Small Square			
Premium	2	240.00-240.00	240.00
Fair	5	160.00-160.00	160.00
Bahia Grass Mid Round			
Premium	9	100.00-100.00	100.00
Mixed Grass Small Square			
Good	20	160.00-160.00	160.00
Mixed Grass Mid Round			
Good	25	75.00-75.00	75.00
Wheat Straw Small Square			
Fair	1	160.00-180.00	170.00

Source: USDA—Alabama Department of Agriculture Market News, Montgomery, David Garcia at 334-223-7488.

NATIONAL WEEKLY HOG REPORT

The following are national statistics of hog sales, as compiled by the USDA on Friday, May 17. Early weaned pigs \$2 per head lower. All feeder pigs \$7 per head lower. Demand moderate for moderate offerings. Receipts include 43 percent formulated prices. All prices quoted on per head basis with an estimated lean value of 50-54 percent.

Receipts this Week: 97,964 Last Week: 99,320 Last Year: 96,864

Information below (l-r) is: Lot Size, Head, Formula Range, Formula Wtd Avg., Head, Cash Range, and Cash Wtd Avg.

Early Weaned Pigs 10-12 lbs. Basis:

600 or less				375	58.00-58.00	58.00
600-1200	1,000	41.75-41.75	41.75	2,025	45.00-46.00	45.59
1200 or more	41,214	37.00-66.36	49.87	41,650	43.00-65.00	55.99
Total compos.	42,214	37.00-66.36	49.68	44,050	43.00-65.00	55.53

Feeder Pigs 40 lbs. Basis:

600 or less				1,650	86.50-93.00	90.14
600-1200				2,300	68.00-81.00	74.22
1200 or more				7,750	76.50-92.00	82.66
Total composite				11,700	68.00-93.00	82.06

Total Composite Weighted Average Receipts and Price (Formula and Cash): All Early Weaned Pigs: 86,264 at 52.67; All 40 lbs. Feeder Pigs: 11,700 at 82.06.

Note: Prices are quoted on a per head basis delivered to the buyers farm. Prices include frieght and fees on a farm to farm basis.

Source: USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA. 24 Hour recorded market information 515-284-4830. Visit www.ams.usda.gov/market-news/swine-reports.

REFERENCE GENOME FOR THE PEANUT WILL HELP IMPROVE ONE OF ALABAMA’S BIGGEST CROPS

Scientists at Huntsville-based HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology, along with collaborators at the University of Georgia and USDA Stoneville, have created a reference genome for *Arachis hypogaea*, the species of peanut that has become an important food crop over the last 9,400 years. By generating a reference genome and revealing the genetic mechanisms of the modern peanut, researchers at HudsonAlpha and their collaborators have helped speed the process of improving peanut crops.

Every year, roughly 44-million tons of this peanut are produced worldwide. Peanut crops play a major role in Alabama agriculture. Roughly half of the peanuts grown in the United States are grown within a 100-mile radius of Dothan. The state has nearly 1,000 peanut farmers.

Crop breeding helps put healthier, more productive plants in the hands of those farmers. The process can move much faster with the assistance of genetics. Researchers can plant crops,

sequence them when the plants are still small, then pick which plants have the desired genetic traits — like disease or drought resistance — and use them to create the next generation of crops. A reference genome gives those scientists a point of comparison, which makes the process possible. Otherwise, the plants must be grown all the way to maturity to determine which ones have the desired traits.

The research, made possible by funding from the Peanut Foundation, recently was published in *Nature Genetics*. With this reference genome, scientists can understand the history of changes that have occurred to the plant’s genetics in a relatively short time since the peanut became a crop plant.

Selective breeding in agriculture allows farmers to plant crops with greater water efficiency, drought resistance and yield.

“Sometimes we see peanuts lose resistance to key diseases and pests.



Peanuts. Photo by Vitalssss/Dreamstime.com

With a reference genome, we can pinpoint where that happens, then our partners can selectively breed to prevent it,” said HudsonAlpha Faculty Investigator Jeremy Schmutz. “We found pieces of the peanut genome changing in a novel way, which could open up a much greater understanding of how crops change over time,

allowing us to grow even harder plants with less resources.”

HudsonAlpha is a nonprofit institute dedicated to developing and applying scientific advances to health, agriculture, learning and commercialization. For more on HudsonAlpha, visit hudsonalpha.org.

June is Dairy Month

2018 ALABAMA DAIRY FACTS

Your milk starts on one of

35

dairy farms in Alabama

A typical Alabama dairy farm has a herd of about

171

milking cows

Alabama is home to approximately

6,000

milk cows

Each Alabama dairy cow provides an average of

1,725

gallons of milk per year

That's about

5.7

gallons of milk per day

Which is enough to make **2.3** pounds of butter

Or

4.9

pounds of cheese

The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

89

million pounds

That's equal to

10.3

million gallons

98%

of all milk produced in 2017 was used and consumed in the form of fluid milk

In 2017, a dairy cow in Alabama cost about

\$1,615

The average value of a day's milk per cow was about

\$8.54

2017 top milk producing counties were:

1. Houston
2. Fayette
3. Cullman
4. Morgan
5. Covington

Alabama is

46th

in milk production

43rd

in number of dairy cows in the United States

46th

in milk output per cow

44th

in the number of licensed dairy operations

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Contact Glenn Fuller: 256.794.2892

PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Spices Smokehouse Crackers, seasoned with a unique blend of spices that creates an irresistible bite, will make you want to find out how to get a bag of your own! These delicious treats are created by Lynn Entrekin who says she never dreamed in 2003 when a friend shared this crazy spiced up cracker with her that it would turn into a business. Spices Smokehouse LLC, operated by Lynn and Robert Entrekin, started as a competition BBQ team in 1996 that continued to compete and win many other culinary contests including a Food Network Chili Challenge.

A love for cooking and helping others led to the two opening a catering business where southern hospitality and delicious food are a sure thing. In 2016, they began offering their popular Spices Smokehouse Crackers, Smokehouse Gold Sauce, Caribbean Glaze and Pig Rub. In 2017, they opened The Smokehouse Market offering smoked meats, chicken salads, homemade pimento cheese, fresh fried pork skins and other seasonal items. They



also offer Alabama Made products from a variety of other companies.

No matter where you live, you can enjoy Spices Smokehouse products by ordering online at www.spicessmokehouse.com where they offer their famous Spices Smokehouse crackers, along with several sauces, glazes and rubs. You also can follow them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Pick up your package today.

We continue to spotlight an employee each month to put a face with the many services provided by the Department of Agriculture and Industries. We hope you enjoy getting to know more about our excellent employees!

Our Spotlight Employee of the Month is Chandra Anderson. She has worked for the Department of Agriculture and Industries for three months. She serves as a building custodian for the department's main office, the Richard Beard Building in Montgomery.

Anderson has numerous responsibilities including: keeping the main lobby and hallways tidy; cleaning the restrooms and replenishing restrooms supplies on all three floors and in the lab annex and making the numerous glass doors throughout the building so clean they sparkle! Overall, she works with pride to make the home office building always look nice and neat.

Anderson's favorite part of the job is the sense of accomplishment she feels at the end of the day. She gives most of that credit to the kind people she works with that are often saying "Thank you" or some other gesture to let her know her job is important. Working in an environment



Chandra Anderson

where coworkers are generous with compliments gives her a sense of appreciation and lets her know she is making a difference.

Anderson has four grown children, a son, Lamar Sr., and three daughters, Tonita, Charleen and Tosina. She is committed to loving the Lord and her seven grandchildren, six grandsons and one precious granddaughter.

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